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EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP PLO
SUBJ: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION
ABROAD

REF: STATE 91578

1. PLO IS REPRESENTED IN CUBA.
2. REPRESENTATION IS SEMI-OFFICIAL, WITH ACCREDITATION APPARENTLY TO CUBAN INSTITUTE OF FRIENDSHIP AMONG PEOPLES (ICAP). (SUB-ROSA TIE TO CUBAN COMMUNIST PARTY MAY ALSO EXIST.) THERE IS AT LEAST ONE PLO REPRESENTATIVE HERE (ISSAM KAMEL SALEM WITH WIFE RENDA IBRAHIM NABOULSI), AND POSSIBLY ONE OR TWO OTHER RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES.
3. NO COMPONENT ELEMENTS OF PLO OR OTHER PALESTINIAN ORGANIZATIONS ARE REPRESENTED OFFICIALLY HERE, ALTHOUGH SEPARATE DELEGATIONS (E.G., OF FATAH) DO VISIT HERE AND CUBANS OVERSEAS APPARENTLY MAINTAIN SEPARATE CONTACTS WITH HABBASH AND OTHERS. (FYI IRAQIS HERE HAVE TOLD US THAT CUBANS ABIDE BY ARAB LEAGUE DECISION RECOGNIZING PLO AS EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVES OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. END FYI).

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4 WE ARE UNSURE OF PLO IMMUNITIES, BUT, WITH REGARD TO PRIVILEGES, RESIDENT LIBERATION MOVEMENTS SUCH AS PLO ARE USUALLY INVITED TO CEREMONIAL OCCASIONS AND ARE CONVOKED TO AIRPORT FOR ARRIVAL OF VISITING FOREIGN MINISTERS AND CHIEFS OF STATE AS THOUGH THEY WERE CHIEFS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS. PLO REPRESENTATIVES APPARENTLY DO NOT CALL REGULARLY AT FOREIGN MINISTRY, ALTHOUGH IF UN

MATTER ARISES CONCERNING PALESTINIANS, FOREIGN MINISTRY
APPARENTLY HAS NO HESITATION ABOUT TALKING WITH PLO
REPRESENTATIVE.
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